

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

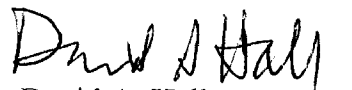
Prior to a first Office Action in this case, please enter this amendment. No new matter is being added. After entry of this amendment, claims 1 through 21 will be pending.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 858-350-6100.

Respectfully submitted,



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